

HB 76 -- Missouri School Improvement Program Standards

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Currently, if the school funding formula is underfunded or the transportation appropriation is less than 75% of allowable costs in fiscal years 2011, 2012, or 2013, a school district cannot be penalized for failing to meet its accreditation resource standards under the Missouri School Improvement Program. This bill removes the limitation to specific fiscal years and applies this provision to any fiscal year in which the formula or transportation categorical is underfunded.

Similarly, if the Governor withholds funds for the school funding formula basic apportionment in any fiscal year, a school cannot be penalized in the following fiscal year for failing to meet resource standards under the program. Currently, this provision only applies in fiscal years 2011, 2012, and 2013.